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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Please amend this application as follows, prior to calculating the filing fee:

In the Title:

Change the title (throughout, including at page 1, line 1) to read: -- TUBULAR

STENT WITH OVAL STRUTS -- .

In the Abstract:

Replace page 54, Abstract of the Disclosure, with new page 54 enclosed with this

Preliminary Amendment.

In the Specification: